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REF: (A) AC/259-D/553 (ALSO ISSUED AS AC/270-D/142); (B)  
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1. WE HAVE INDICATIONS THAT FRANCE AND GERMANY MAY OBJECT TO THE AMENDMENT TO PARA 109 OF REF A PROPOSED IN PARA 2A OF REF B. THE AMENDED WORDING GIVES THE IMPRESSION THAT ONLY THE US JOINT TACTICAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (JTIDS) COULD CONTRIBUTE TO SOLUTION OF THE IDENTIFICATION, NAVIGATION, AND POSITION LOCATION PROBLEMS. THIS CONCLUSION IS INCONSISTENT WITH PARA 37 OF REF A, WHICH ATTRIBUTES THIS CAPABILITY TO THE FRENCH AND GERMAN SYSTEMS ALSO.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT US CONCERNS, AS WE UNDERSTAND THEM, COULD BE SATISFIED BY THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO PARA 109 (AND PARA 4(E) OF THE SUMMARY) OF REF A:

A. END THE FIRST SENTENCE AFTER THE WORDS,  
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"...POSITION LOCATION PROBLEMS," DELETING THE PHRASE,  
"AGAIN OF ALL SERVICES."

B. IN THE SECOND SENTENCE AFTER THE WORDS "...FOR ECM-RESISTANT" INSERT THE WORDS "COMMAND AND CONTROL DATA."

3. WE BELIEVE THAT THE AMENDMENTS WE PROPOSE WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE ALLIES. THE FIRST (PARA 2A ABOVE) CAN BE EXPLAINED AS ELIMINATION OF A REDUNDANT PHRASE BECAUSE THE PHRASE APPEARS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE

SENTENCE. THE SECOND CAN BE PRESENTED AS FACTUAL  
CLARIFICATION, GIVING CONSISTENCY WITH PARA 37 OF THE  
REPORT, AS AMENDED BY REF B.

4. REQUEST WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BY OOB MONDAY MAR 21,  
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